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## NOTES AND NEWS

### GENERAL.

The Honorable John Hay, who died at his summer home on Lake Sunapee, New Hampshire, in July, was a life member of the American Historical Association. His career is too well known to need extensive notice in these columns; historically his chief work was his collaboration with John G. Nicolay in the preparation of their life of Lincoln. A large number of articles in periodicals have dealt with various phases of Mr. Hay's life and work, among which may be noted "John Hay in Literature" by W. D. Howells, in the *North American Review*, for September; "John Hay" by Shelby M. Cullom, *Independent*, July 13; "John Hay: An American Gentleman" by Walter Wellman, and "Mr. Hay's Work in Diplomacy" by John Bassett Moore, both in the August *Review of Reviews*.

Dr. Arthur L. Perry, professor emeritus of history and political economy in Williams College, died during the summer. He was better known as a writer on economic than on historical subjects. He published, in 1894, *Origins in Williamstown*, and in 1900, *Williamstown and Williams College*.

Friedrich Heinrich Suso Denifle, member of the Dominican order since 1861 and one of its greatest savants, died at Munich June 10, aged sixty-one. With Father Ehrle he founded in 1885 the *Archiv für Literatur- und Kirchengeschichte des Mittelalters*, and in the same year published the first volume of *Die Universitäten des Mittelalters bis 1400* (never finished). With M. Émile Chatelain he edited the *Chartularium Universitatis Parisiensis*; in 1897-1899 he published *La Désolation des Eglises, Monastères et Hopitaux en France* (3v.). In his last years he wrote a strongly Roman Catholic biography of Luther and took a prominent part in Luther polemic.

Gymnasialoberlehrer Dr. Reinhold Roehricht died in Berlin in May, aged sixty-five. His important work was almost wholly on the Crusades, the eight main works published since 1874 comprising probably the most important contribution by any one scholar in this field. His latest publication was a supplement to his *Regesta Regni Hierosolymitani* (1904), comprising an analysis of nine hundred documents.

Dr. Curt Wachsmuth, professor of ancient history and classical philology in the University of Leipzig, died at Leipzig June 8, aged sixty-eight. He is known chiefly by his *Die Stadt Athen im Altertum*.

Professor A. C. Coolidge of Harvard is on leave of absence for the current year and is travelling in Asia and Eastern Europe. During his

absence Professor A. L. P. Dennis of Wisconsin will deliver two courses during the first half-year: one on European history in the Napoleonic period, the other on the history of British India.

Dr. Arthur L. Frothingham, Jr., has resigned his professorship of ancient history and archaeology at Princeton University in order to devote himself to the work of original research.

We note a number of academic changes and appointments: Professor Allen Johnson of Iowa College is to be professor of history in Bowdoin College; Dr. William H. Allison has been elected professor of history in Franklin College, Indiana; Mr. Yates Snowden, formerly of the *Charleston News and Courier*, has been elected professor of history in South Carolina College; Dr. William K. Boyd has been appointed instructor at Dartmouth, in place of Dr. H. R. Shipman, who, together with Dr. Hiram Bingham, formerly of Harvard, has been appointed preceptor in Princeton; Dr. R. B. Merriman has been appointed permanent instructor in Harvard, and Mr. E. W. Pahlow, who has been an assistant at Harvard, goes to Wisconsin as instructor. Dr. O. P. Chittwood is to be professor of history in Mercer College, Georgia.

An international congress on facsimiles, or international congress for the reproduction of manuscripts, coins and seals, was held at Liège August 21-23, on the invitation of the Belgian minister of public instruction. Professor Kurth of Liège was chairman, Father van den Gheyn of the Bollandist Society secretary of the organizing committee. About eighty delegates were present, the United States being represented by Professor Charles M. Gayley of the University of California. M. Henri Omont, keeper of manuscripts in the Bibliothèque Nationale, was chosen president. From such reports as have been received (see *New York Evening Post*, September 9) it appears that the papers which were read, and which will soon be accessible in print, were of great value to all who are interested in facsimile reproductions. Among the resolutions adopted was one favoring the formation in every country of a commission composed of specialists for the purpose of designating the manuscripts most desirable to be reproduced in facsimile; another requesting governments to draw up regulations permitting scholars to obtain, on the most liberal terms possible, the reproduction of manuscripts in which they are interested; and others looking toward the preparation of bibliographical lists of facsimiles already executed, and expressing opinions as to technical processes. A permanent international committee was formed, to prosecute the various interests represented. It consists of Messrs. Brambach of Carlsruhe, S. de Vries of Leyden, Ehrle of Rome, Gaillard of Brussels, Gayley of California, Karabacek of Vienna, Lange of Copenhagen, Nicholson of Oxford, Omont of Paris, Putnam of Washington, Salomon Reinach of Paris, Traub of Munich, and Van den Gheyn of Brussels. The committee has discretion to call another congress when and where it thinks best, and may possibly convene it in America. Professor Gayley's project for an

American Bureau of Republication and Library of Facsimiles, much discussed in the columns of the *Evening Post* last winter, was warmly commended, and there was much promise of co-operation on the part of the leading libraries of Europe.

The Macmillan Company announce for autumn publication a *General History*, described as philosophical in its character, by Dr. Emil Reich; a *History of Political Theories from Luther to Montesquieu*, by Professor William A. Dunning of Columbia University, continuing his previous volumes on the political theorists of ancient and medieval times; a *History of Education*, by Professor Paul Monroe of the same institution; the ninth volume ("Napoleon and his Times") of the *Cambridge Modern History*; and Vols. V.-VIII. of Purchas.

We are in receipt of a copy of the *First Annual Report* of the English Sociological Society, prefaced by an Address of the Hon. James Bryce, President, at the first annual general meeting, March 22. This society was constituted in November, 1903, with "scientific, educational, and practical aims", has a membership of four hundred, and seems well started on its career. Mr. Bryce's brief address is noteworthy for its moderation and practical spirit.

Vol. XXVI. of E. Berner's *Jahresbericht der Geschichtswissenschaft* has appeared, comprising the literature of 1903 (2v.).

The *Historisches Jahrbuch*, XXVI. 3, gives a detailed statement of the issues since 1903 in Lamprecht's *Allgemeine Staatengeschichte*, in the three divisions of "Geschichte der europ. Staaten", "Geschichte der aussereurop. Staaten", "Deutsche Landesgeschichte". It announces as in press the following: Bachmann, *Geschichte Böhmens*, Bd. II.; Jorga, *Geschichte Rumäniens*; Kretschmayer, *Geschichte Venedigs*; Seraphim, *Geschichte von Liv-, Est- und Kurland*, Bd. I.

An inexpensive *Atlas zur Kirchengeschichte* has been published at Tübingen by K. Heussi and H. Mulert (66 maps,—M. 4).

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: E. Bernheim, *La Science Historique Moderne* (*Revue de Synthèse Historique*, April). (This is apropos of Lamprecht's recent *Moderne Geschichtswissenschaft*, and aims to place Lamprecht with respect to methodology and to estimate his originality. Concludes that he is inconsistent, has derived his ideas mainly from Hegel and Comte, but has applied them with originality. In the June issue of the *Revue Lamprecht* makes a brief response); P. La-combe, *Notes sur Taine* (*Revue de Synthèse Historique*, April, June).

#### **ANCIENT HISTORY.**

The entire historical library of the late Theodor Mommsen has been presented to the University of Bonn. Professor Otto Hirschfeld, Mommsen's literary executor, is preparing for publication three volumes of his unpublished writings. The first volume, which has already appeared, contains sixteen essays on Egyptian and Roman law. The other

two will contain contributions to the history of Roman law, law-books and legal procedure.

The Macmillan Company have issued the first number of "University of Michigan Studies", edited by H. A. Sanders and devoted to Roman history.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: F. Savio, *Alcune Considerazioni sulla prima Diffusione del Cristianesimo* (Rivista di Scienze Storiche, I. Contends that Christian proselytism proceeded in the West much more slowly than usually supposed); A. Muller, *Sterbekassen und Vereine mit Begräbnisfürsorge in der Römischen Kaiserzeit* (Neue Jahrbücher für das klassische Altertum, March); J. Reville, *Le Progrès de l'Histoire Ecclésiastique Ancienne au XIX siècle et son Etat actuel* (Revue de l'Histoire des Religions, L. 3).

#### MEDIEVAL HISTORY.

A renewed historical interest and activity is being manifested at present in the Benedictine Order. In 1906 there will begin in Rome the publication of a quarterly *Rivista Storica Benedettina*, directed by members of the order and devoted to its history especially in Italy. French Benedictines are projecting a resumption of the labors of the Benedictines of Saint-Maur in the field of the history of the religious orders, and plan a series entitled, *La France Monastique*; while in May appeared the first issue of the *Revue Mabillon*, the chief contributors being J. M. Besse, L. Levilain, and G. Guillot.

German Roman Catholic scholars have begun the publication of a series of Lives of the Saints (*Sammlung Illustrierter Heiligenleben*,—Kempten and Munich, Kosel), intended to bring before the public the result of the latest investigations. There have already been published (1904): Gunter, *Kaiser Heinrich II. der Heilige*; Egger, *Der heilige Augustinus, Bischof von Hippo*; and Kralik, *Der Hl. Leopold, Markgraf von Oesterreich*. The series is intended to be analogous to the French one of M. Joly, *Les Saints*; in this latter the latest publications (Paris, Lecoffre) are the Abbé Martin's *Saint Columban*, and Suan's *Saint François de Borgia* (1905).

An important addition has just been made to Professor Ulrich Stutz's (Bonn) "Kirchenrechtliche Abhandlungen" by L. K. Goetz, *Kirchenrechtliche und Kulturgeschichtliche Denkmäler Altrusslands, nebst Geschichte des Russischen Kirchenrechts* (Stuttgart, 1905). The documents are presented in German translations, though for some the original Russian is also given.

The Arna-Magnaean Legation have brought out the second and concluding part of their palaeographical atlas. The first or Danish section appeared in 1903. The present volume presents thirty-seven folio phototype plates, containing facsimile reproductions of fifty-three Norse or Icelandic manuscripts or documents of the period 1150-1300—Grágás, Heimskringla, the Codex Regius of the Edda of Saemund, etc. The

Carlsberg Fund has promised to defray the expenses of an additional Norwegian-Icelandic section, continuing the work into the fifteenth century.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: G. Seeliger, *Forschungen zur Geschichte der Grundherrschaft im früheren Mittelalter* (Hist. Vierteljahrsschrift, Aug.). A useful survey of the successive views).

#### MODERN EUROPEAN HISTORY.

Dr. Ludwig Pastor has undertaken to publish a collection of documents on papal history from the fifteenth to the seventeenth century (*Ungedruckte Akten zur Geschichte der Päpste vornehmlich im XV.-XVII. Jahrhundert*) as supplement to his history of the Popes. Vol. I. comprises 205 documents and comes to 1464.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: P. Richard, *Origines de la Nonciature de France: Nonces Résidants avant Léon X., 1456-1511* (Revue des Questions Historiques, July); S. Ehses, *Hat Paolo Sarpi für seine Geschichte des Konzils von Trient aus Quellen geschöpft, die jetzt nicht mehr fliessen?* (Historisches Jahrbuch, XXVI. 2); J. F. Jameson, *The Age of Erudition* (University of Chicago Record, July).

#### GREAT BRITAIN AND IRELAND.

Longmans, Green and Co. announce an important co-operative *Political History of England*, under the general editorship of Rev. William Hunt, now President of the Royal Historical Society. It will comprise twelve octavo volumes (450-500 pp.) and will be intended for the public, though furnished with critical and bibliographical appendices to each volume. The authors are announced as follows: Vol. I. 1066, Thomas Hodgkin; II. 1066-1216, Professor George B. Adams; III. 1216-1377, T. F. Tout; IV. 1377-1485, C. Oman; V. 1485-1547, H. A. L. Fisher; VI. 1547-1603, A. F. Pollard; VII. 1603-1660, F. C. Montague; VIII. 1660-1702, R. Lodge; IX. 1702-1760, I. S. Leadam; X. 1760-1801, Rev. W. Hunt; XI. 1801-1837, Hon. G. C. Brodrick and J. K. Fotheringham; XII. 1837-1901, Sidney J. Low. Some of these volumes will appear the present year.

The Clarendon Press published in July an *Illustrated Catalogue of a Loan Collection of Portraits of English Historical personages who died between 1625 and 1714* recently exhibited at Oxford. The volume is of much interest and contains descriptions of 228 portraits (representing 42 painters, the chief of whom are Kneller and Lely) with brief biographical notes on the subjects; 66 of these are excellently reproduced. A brief introduction by Mr. Lionel Cust, Director of the National Portrait Gallery, sketches the development of portrait painting that came in the later seventeenth century through the influence of Van Dyck. The artistic interest of the volume is perhaps not very great, but the student of the period will find it of much service. The originals were contributed to the Loan Exhibition mainly by the different Oxford

colleges, though the largest single contribution was that of the Bodleian Library.

The first three volumes of the official series of Indian Records published by the government of India, *Bengal in 1756-57*, with an historical introduction by the editor, Mr. S. C. Hill, will shortly appear (London, Murray).

It was announced that the literary executors of Cardinal Newman have entrusted the writing of his biography to Mr. Wilfrid Ward. The life of Cardinal Manning has been undertaken by the Rev. W. H. Kent, who is in possession of much new material.

Mr. John Murray will shortly publish *Further Memoirs of the Whig Party, 1807-1821*, by the third Lord Holland, edited by Lord Stavordale; a *Life of Sir James Graham*, edited by Mr. C. S. Parker; and *The Military Life of H. R. H. the Duke of Cambridge*, written under the authority of the late duke from documents in his own possession. But the *Letters of Queen Victoria*, edited by Mr. A. C. Benson and Viscount Esher, though progressing rapidly, cannot, it is announced, be ready for some months.

An organization called "The Cantilupe Society" has been instituted, for the publication of episcopal registers and other ecclesiastical documents of the diocese of Hereford. The secretary is the Rev. J. R. Burton of Ludlow.

In connection with Macmillan's recent announcement of *The Life of St. Patrick and his Place in History*, by Professor J. B. Bury, it should be noticed that N. J. D. White, D.D., has published in Vol. XXV. of the *Proceedings of the Royal Irish Academy* (Dublin, 1905), a new critical edition of "Libri Sancti Patricii, The Latin Writings of St. Patrick", with introduction and English translations.

The scanty material on Irish history of the middle of the eighteenth century is now being added to by the publication in the *English Historical Review* of the correspondence of Archbishop Stone and the Duke of Newcastle, edited by C. Litton Falkiner from the Newcastle Papers in the British Museum. The first installment (July) is confined to the year 1753 and throws light upon an important and obscure controversy on finances in the Irish Parliament in that year; a matter which is represented as important in the development of the modern Irish Party. In this connection there is an interesting article in the July *Edinburgh Review*, "Ireland under George II.", based on the "Report on the MSS. of Mrs. Stopford-Sackville of Drayton House, Northamptonshire", I., 1904.

Vol. IX. of the second series of *Archaeologia* contains interesting accounts of the recent excavations of Caergwent (Venta Silurum), of additional portions of the Roman wall of London found at Newgate, of the hauberk of chain mail and its conventional representations, and of the Crystal of Lothair; also, some chancery proceedings of the fifteenth century and records of the manor of Durrington.

The latest volume of the Oxford Historical Society is an excellent numismatical treatise, well illustrated by facsimiles, *Oxford Silver Pennies from A. D. 925 to A. D. 1272*, by Mr. C. L. Stainer.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: W. T. Waugh, *Sir John Oldcastle*, I. (English Historical Review, July).

#### FRANCE.

The French government is projecting a reorganization of French archival deposits, attention having been called to defects by historical societies and legislative discussion. A commission of investigation has been established under the presidency of the Minister of Public Instruction. The main change projected is the nationalization of the administration of the archives, the departmental archives being now locally controlled and without close relations with the central ones. This movement toward centralization is however opposed by the consistent advocates of provincial autonomy.

M. Aulard has begun a new and revised edition of his *Orateurs de la Révolution*, the first volume, "L'Assemblée Constituante", having appeared (Paris, 1905, pp. 573).

Students of revolutionary history will welcome any additions to the publications of municipal *Procès-verbaux*. Those of the city of Lyons that were issued last year will be usefully supplemented by those of a neighboring town, Villefranche-sur-Saone, which reflects the development in its great neighbor. This is being published now in the *Journal de Villefranche*, edited by Dr. A. Besançon; the first volume covers 1789-1793.

The Société d'Histoire Contemporaine has undertaken the publication of the *Correspondance* of La Forêt, French ambassador in Spain 1808-1813. There are 835 dispatches, which will be published during the next six years in six volumes.

The Société des Archives Historiques de la Gironde issues as its volume for 1904 a reproduction of fifty seventeenth-century drawings of the towns and monuments of southwest France. These were the work of two Dutch artists, Hermann van der Hem and Joachim de Weert.

The Société Archéologique et Historique de la Charente has published *Tables Générales* of its *Bulletins et Mémoires*, 1845-1900, prepared by J. Baillet and J. de la Martinière (Angoulême, 1905, pp. 365).

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: Lucien Febvre, *La Franche-Comté* (Revue de Synthèse Historique, April and June); V. L. Bourrilly, *Les Rapports de François I. et d'Henri II. avec les Ducs de Savoie, Charles II. et Emmanuel Philibert, 1515-1559, d'après des Travaux Récents* (Revue d'Histoire Moderne et Contemporaine, June); E. Bourgeois, *La Collaboration de Saint-Simon et de Torcy; Étude Critique sur les Mémoires de St.-Simon* (Revue Historique, July-August); W. Struck, *Die Notabelnversammlung von 1787* (Historische Vierteljahrschrift,

August); P. Boissonade, *Les Études relatives à l'Histoire Économique de la Révolution Française, 1789-1804* (Revue de Synthèse Historique, April and June); A. Mathiez, *La Question Sociale pendant la Révolution Française* (La Révolution Française, May 14); E. Daudet, *L'Église et le Roi pendant l'Emigration, d'après des Documents Inédits* (Le Correspondant, May 10); P. Caron, *Les Comités Militaires des Assemblées de la Révolution, 1789*—an VIII. (Revue d'Histoire Moderne et Contemporaine, July); H. Poulet, *Le Département de la Meuse à la fin du Directoire et au début du Consulat* (La Révolution Française, XXIV. 7, 8).

#### ITALY.

For the benefit of students at a distance, who may desire palaeographical or historical information from Italian libraries or archives, there has been established at Florence (Via delle Lane, 7), under the charge of Professor I. M. Palmarini, an Istituto delle Carte, which engages to make such researches at a modest rate of compensation. There will be corresponding secretaries in other Italian towns. The telegraphic address is "Istitcarte, Firenze."

The labors of foreigners in Italian archives will still further be facilitated by the recent establishment in Rome of what is called an "Uffizio Bibliografico," intended to undertake researches and to supply copies of documents or bibliographical information. Not long since Professor Benigni established such a bureau in Rome (Via della Stettetta, 7), and Professor Enrico Celani has now opened another (Via Vittoria Colonna, 18). Both of these undertake archival work in any part of Italy.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: A. Solini, *La Funzione Pratica della Storia del Diritto Italiano nelle Scienze Giuridiche* (Rivista Italiana per le Scienze Giuridiche, XXXV.); E. Romano, *La Guerra fra i Visconti e la Chiesa, 1360-1376* (Bollettino del Società Pavese di Storia Patria, III).

#### GERMANY, AUSTRIA.

At the office of the Prussian Gesammtkatalog in Berlin a general information bureau for German libraries has been recently established. It is designed to furnish information as to whether any desired and specified book is in any of the associated German libraries, and, if so, just where it may be found. The charge for each book sought is ten pfennigs.

Dr. Reinhold Koser of the Prussian Archives has been placed at the head of the Direction of the *Monumenta Germaniae Historica*, with the work remaining mainly in the hands of Professor O. Holder-Egger.

The *Historisches Jahrbuch*, XXVI. 3, pp. 698-704, gives a detailed statement concerning the publications of the *Monumenta Germaniae Historica*, as given out June 8, and (p. 704) a similar statement of the publications of the Historical Commission for Hesse and Waldeck. In

XXVI. 1, of the same journal, will be found detailed information of the state of the publications and undertakings of the Roman Institute of the Görres-Gesellschaft, of the Historical Commission of the Bavarian Academy of Sciences, of the Historical Commission of Baden, and of the Commission for the Modern History of Austria. It should be remarked that the publication of the German *Städtechroniken* has been placed upon a new footing by the appointment of Professor Georg von Below as director in succession to the late Karl von Hegel, and by specific resolutions as to immediate publication and the scope of the entire undertaking.

Recent issues of German provincial collections are as follows: *Regesten der Markgrafen von Baden und Hochberg*, III. 3-4 (1431-1453); *Inventäre des grossherzöglichen Badischen General-landarchivs*, II. 1; *Monumenta Historica Ducatus Carinthiae*, III. (A. D. 800-1202); *Codex Diplomaticus Lusatiae Superioris*, II. (1434-1437); *Mecklenburgisches Urkundenbuch*, XXI. (1386-1390); *Codex Diplomaticus et Epistolaris Moraviae*, XIV., XV. (1408-1411); *Urkunden und Regesten zur Geschichte der Rheinlande aus dem Vatikanischen Archiv*, II. (1327-1341); *Urkunden zur Pfälzischen Kirchengeschichte im Mittelalter* (XIII.-XVI. cent.); *Codex Diplomaticus Silesiae*, XXII. (1327-1333); *Urkundenbuch des Herzogthums Steiermark*, III. (1246-1260); *Regesta Diplomatica necnon Epistolaria Historiae Thuringiae*, III. (1228-1247); *Westfälisches Urkundenbuch*, VIII. (1277-1284); *Quellen und Darstellungen zur Geschichte Niedersachsens*, X. *Urkundenbuch des Stiftes und Stadt Hameln*, II. (XV.-XVI. cent.); XI. *Urkundenbuch des Hochstifts Hildesheim und seiner Bischöfe*, III. (1260-1310); *Thüringische Geschichtsquellen*, VI. *Urkundenbuch der Stadt Jena und ihrer geistlichen Anstalten*, II. (1406-1525); *Geschichtsquellen der Provinz Sachsen*, XXXIII. *Urkundenbuch des Klosters Pforte*, I. (1300-1350); *Quellenbuch der Gesellschaft für Schleswig-Holsteinische Geschichte*, VI. *Quellen zur Geschichte des Bistums Schleswig*; *Quellen zur Geschichte der Stadt Wien*, II. (1458-1493).

B. Krusch has edited for the *Monumenta Germaniae Historica, Handausgabe*, Jonas's "Vitae Sanctorum Columbani, Vedastis, Johannis" (Hannover and Leipzig, 1905, pp. xii, 366). He had already edited these for Volumes II. and IV. of the *Scriptores Rerum Merovingicarum*; here however they are not merely brought together in a more convenient form, but Krusch has also used for the Life of Columban almost three times as many manuscripts (c. 115) as in the preceding edition and has added many new readings. He has also taken the opportunity to retract his former statements as to the place of the baptism of Clovis. The other changes are of less importance.

The German Government has presented to the Harvard College Library a complete set of the *Stenographische Berichte* of the German Reichstag, beginning in 1867 with the Reichstag of the North German Confederation. The set comprises 255 volumes and new volumes will

be added as they are published. The gift is intended to form a part of the Hohenzollern Collection of works in German history established in 1903 by Professor A. C. Coolidge, who purchased the library of Professor Konrad von Maurer for that purpose. The curator of the collection, Mr. Walter Lichtenstein, has been in Europe during the past summer searching for valuable additions to it.

Mr. John Murray of London publishes *The Hatzfeldt Letters*, translated from the French,—entertaining and on the whole important letters which Count Paul Hatzfeldt, who was afterward (1885-1901) German ambassador in London, wrote to his wife from the headquarters of the king of Prussia in 1870-1871.

The *Hansisches Urkundenbuch* (Leipzig, Duncker and Humblot) covers with the ninth volume (1903, pp. 751) the period 1463-1470.

The *Historische Vierteljahrschrift* for June ("Nachrichten und Notizen II.") gives a useful summary of the publications during the last decade of the Gesellschaft für Sächsische Kirchengeschichte (*Beiträge zur Sächsischen Kirchengeschichte*).

In May there was founded at Bamberg a "Gesellschaft für Fränkische Geschichte", which proposes to publish studies in many fields of west-German history under the title of *Veröffentlichungen*. It is in receipt of government aid. In January there was established an "Oberschlesischer Geschichtsverein", publishing a journal, the *Oberschlesische Heimat*.

The very important undertaking by the Austrian Historical Institute of the publication of the *Regesta Habsburgica: Regesten der Gräfen von Habsburg und der Herzöge von Oesterreich aus dem Hause Habsburg* has been begun by the publication of H. Steinacker's *Die Regesten der Gräfen von Habsburg bis 1281* (Innsbruck, 1905). The preparation of these *Regesten* was undertaken as early as 1833 by E. Birk, and Steinacker has been working ten years on this volume, the documents being scattered and there being many critical problems. He goes back beyond the acquisition of the imperial dignity in 1275, five hundred documents appearing for the period 950-1274. It is intended to bring this series down to 1493, Vol. II., 1281-1330, being in preparation by M. Steinacker, and the third volume, 1331-1365, being entrusted to Dr. Kretschmayr.

The Vienna Academy of Sciences has begun the publication of "Oesterreichische Urbare" in the four divisions of *Urbare* of Landesfürsten, Hochstifter, ecclesiastical and lay Grundherrschaften. Vol. I. (1904), edited by Dopsch and Levec, deals with Upper and Lower Austria in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries.

The "Commission for the Modern History of Austria" is about to publish Dr. A. Kretschmayr's completion of Dr. Fellner's *Geschichte der Organisation der oesterreichischen Zentralverwaltung*. In the series of *Staatsverträge*, A. F. Pribram is working on the relations with England, H. Schlitter on those with France, R. V. Srbik on the Netherlands,

R. Gross on Bavaria. There is announced for near publication the correspondence of Charles V. with Margaret of Austria and Mary of Hungary, 1522-1530.

A new series of monographs in Austrian history is begun at Innsbruck under the direction of A. Dopsch: "Forschungen zur inneren Geschichte Oesterreichs". The first volume (1904) is H. Srbik's *Die Beziehungen von Staat und Kirche in Oesterreich während des Mittelalters*.

In the *Mittheilungen des Instituts für Oesterreichische Geschichtskunde*, XXVI. 157-159, G. Steinherz gives a full analysis of the publications of the "Historische Landeskommision für Steiermark", Hefte 1-19, Graz, 1896-1903. This Commission was founded 1892 and its judicious publications are now of great value, such names as Krones and Loserth showing the character of the leadership of the society, of which Professor v. Zwiedineck-Südenhorst is secretary.

Messrs. Weiss and Friss have just published at Budapest (1904, pp. xli, 524) the first volume of a collection of documents entitled *Monumenta Hungariae Judaica*, covering the period 1092-1539.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: K. Brandi, *Passauer Vertrag und Augsburger Religionsfriede* (Historische Zeitschrift, XCV. 2); R. Hoeniger, *Die Kontinentalsperrre und ihre Einwirkungen auf Deutschland* (Volkswirthschaftliche Zeitfragen, 211); *Aus dem Frankfurter Parlement: Briefe des Abgeordneten Ernst von Sancken-Tarpitschen*, edited by G. von Below (Deutsche Rundschau, July); A. Wahl, *Die Unterredung Bismarcks mit dem Herzog Friedrich von Augustenburg am 1. Juni 1864* (Historische Zeitschrift, XCV. 1); H. Plehn, *Zur Geschichte der Agrarverfassung von Ost- und Westpreussen* (Forschungen zur Brandenburgischen und Preussischen Geschichte, XVII.); W. Meiners, *Landschulwesen und Landschullehrer im Herzogtum Cleve vor Hundert Jahren* (Archiv für Kulturgeschichte, III. 3).

#### NETHERLANDS.

The "Maatschappij der Nederlandsche Letterkunde" has published the first part of a *Repertorium der Verhandelingen en Bijdragen betreffende de Geschiedenis des Vaderlands* (Leyden), prepared by L. D. Petit, of the library of the University of Leyden. There will be several parts, and the work will include titles of review articles as well as books, coming to 1900.

The first volumes have appeared of the "Bibliotheca Reformatoria Neerlandica", edited by Dr. S. Cramer and Dr. F. Pijper, under the auspices of several learned societies. The series aims to reprint rare Dutch publications of the Reformation era, and Vol. I., *Polemische Geschriften der Hervormingsgezinden*, comprises eleven papers, while Vol. II., *Het Offer des Heeren*, is a book of martyrs and a collection of early religious songs.

The Dutch Royal Historical Commission has begun at the expense of the state the publication of documents pertaining to the revolutionary and nineteenth-century history of Holland, under the title, *Gedenkstukken der Algemeene Geschiedenis van Nederland van 1795 tot 1840*, and has published the first volume, edited by Dr. H. T. Colenbrander and dealing with 1789-1795 (Hague, pp. lxviii, 720). The editor supplies an introduction on the relations between the Revolution and the Netherlands; this is followed by 525 documents, mainly from the correspondence of prominent public men, arranged chronologically in groups with explanatory notes. We have here evidently a very important addition to our printed sources.

The Utrecht Historical Society expects before many months to publish in its *Bijdragen* a supplement to the well-known and valued *Diaries and Correspondence of Lord Auckland*, consisting of a large number of dispatches hitherto unpublished, edited by M. Henry de Peyster.

### **AMERICA.**

#### GENERAL ITEMS.

In the list of publications to be issued this fall by Houghton, Mifflin and Company occur notices of several historical and biographical volumes: *James G. Blaine*, by Edward Stanwood; *James Russell Lowell*, by Ferris Greenslet; *The England and Holland of the Puritans*, by Morton Dexter; *The Development of Religious Liberty in Connecticut*, by M. Louise Greene; *Mount Desert: A History*, by George E. Street; *A History of the Town of Middleboro, Mass.*, by Thomas Weston; *A Sketch of Etna and Kirker'sville, Licking Co., Ohio*, by General Morris Schaff. Three additions to the American Commonwealths Series are promised: *Louisiana*, by Albert Phelps; *Rhode Island*, by Irving B. Richman; and a new edition of Judge Cooley's *Michigan*.

Among the fall announcements of the Macmillan Company should be noted a *Life of Oliver Ellsworth*, by William Garrott Brown; *Civil War and Reconstruction in Alabama*, by Walter L. Fleming; *The Industrial History of the United States*, by Katharine Coman; and Professor Smyth's ten-volume edition of *The Life and Writings of Franklin*.

Among other fall announcements not elsewhere noted we mention the following: By Little, Brown, and Company: *Sea Power in its Relation to the War of 1812*, by Captain Alfred T. Mahan; *The True Story of Paul Revere*, by Charles Getterny. By the Putnams: *The Abolitionists*, by John F. Hume. By the Century Company: *Captain Myles Standish*, by Tudor Jenks.

Mr. Thomas Forsythe Nelson announces that he is about to commence the publication of *Americana Historica*, a quarterly magazine devoted to "American historical, biographical, and genealogical research." Mr. Nelson's reputation as a genealogist should insure a high grade of excellence for his magazine. It will be published in Washington.

A number of auction sales of historical interest are announced for the fall and winter. Among the most important is that of Governor Pennypacker's library which contains a large number of Franklin documents and imprints, many early Pennsylvania imprints, and an autograph diary kept by George Washington. The collection of Washington portraits owned by James T. Mitchell, chief-justice of Pennsylvania, is also to be disposed of, as well as the remainder of the Carson collection of prints, which includes pictures of American land and naval battles, political cartoons, and portraits of Revolutionary characters. The sales will be under the charge of Mr. Stan. V. Henkels.

The first volume of Mr. Charles Evans's *American Bibliography* was noted in these pages some months ago. It will be remembered that Mr. Evans's purpose was to prepare a complete bibliography of books, pamphlets, and periodicals printed in the United States from 1639 to 1820. The first volume, which contained 3,244 titles, brought the list (arranged in chronological order) to 1729; the second volume, dated 1904, completes the list through 1750 and brings the entries to number 6,623. A third volume will be issued in the fall, and the remaining five or six will appear at intervals.

William C. Doub's *History of the United States* (Macmillan, pp. 669) is a text-book distinguished by the author's effort to combine history and civics, thus making unnecessary the use of separate books. The method is topical.

In the July *Magazine of History* we note the concluding paper, by Warren Upham, on "The Progress of Discovery of the Mississippi River," dealing with Groseilliers, Radisson, Joliet, Marquette, DuLuth, Hennepin and Le Sueur, and a paper on "Educational and Literary Activity in Alabama", by Walter L. Fleming. In Livingston R. Schuyler's history of the Liberty of the Press, Chapter III. deals with the development in Pennsylvania. In this number is commenced the journal contributed by Mr. C. S. Brigham, kept by Eliza Williams Bridgham, of "A Journey through New England and New York in 1818." We note a letter, not given in full, from George Washington to General George Clinton, New York, July 26, 1776.

#### ITEMS CHRONOLOGICALLY ARRANGED.

The latest volume to appear in the "Trail-Makers Series" (A. S. Barnes) is one of the most noteworthy. *The Journey of Alvar Núñez Cabeza de Vaca and his Companions from Florida to the Pacific, 1528-1536*. The translation has been ably made from the first edition, Zamora, 1542, by Mrs. Fanny Bandelier, whose husband, Mr. Adolph F. Bandelier, has edited the volume. The next book to appear in the series will be *The Journeys of La Salle and His Companions, 1668-1687, as Related by Himself and His Followers*, in two volumes, edited by Dr. I. J. Cox.

Two volumes of revolutionary material are promised for the fall by Dodd, Mead and Company. One will contain a reprint of the "Minutes of the Committee of Safety of the County of Tryon (N. Y.) from the First Meeting in the Palatine District, Aug. 27, 1774, to Nov. 24, 1775." The other will be *A History of the Declaration of Independence*, by J. H. Hazelton.

The Sharon (Mass.) Historical Society has reprinted a rare pamphlet: *An Address Delivered in 1802 in Various Towns in Massachusetts, Rhode Island and New York, by Mrs. Deborah Sampson Gannett*. Deborah Sampson, under the name of Robert Shurtleff, enlisted in the Continental army, and was honorably discharged in 1783. The address tells of her revolutionary experiences.

Under the heading "American Revolutionary Naval Service" the *New Hampshire Genealogical Record* for April contains an account of the continental frigate *Raleigh*.

The discovery of the body of John Paul Jones has called forth a considerable amount of material concerning the hero. *Old South Leaflet*, No. 152, is made up of Jones's account of the battle with the *Scrapis*, and of his letter to Congress in 1775 on the development of a navy. Historical notes including a biographical sketch are appended. The question as to whether Jones's body has really been found is discussed in the *Independent* for July 13 and 20: "The Identification of John Paul Jones's Body," by Louis Capitan; "Is it Paul Jones's Body?" by Park Benjamin. The September *Century* contains "A Rare Portrait of Paul Jones," together with other more common portraits, and text by Alexander Corbett, Jr. The July *Scribner's* contains the "Narrative of John Kilby," who was quarter-gunner on the *Bon-Homme Richard*, while in the *Review of Reviews* for July is a noteworthy article by Dr. C. H. Lincoln of the Library of Congress on "John Paul Jones and our First Triumphs on the Sea."

C. S. Hall has edited the *Life and Letters of Samuel Holden Parsons* (Binghamton, N. Y., Osteningo Publishing Company, pp. 601). Parsons was a major-general in the Continental army, and chief judge of the Northwest Territory from 1787 to 1789.

The Century Company's new "Thumbnail" books will include a volume on George Washington. In it will be printed many of Washington's writings, including his principal state papers, his farewell and inaugural addresses, and his circular disbanding the armies of the United States. The passage on "The Character of Washington" in Lecky's *England in the Eighteenth Century* will serve as introduction.

*Washington in Germantown*, by C. Francis Jenkins (Philadelphia, W. J. Campbell) is an account of Washington's visits to Germantown as commander-in-chief and president.

The Century Company announces *Washington and the West*, a volume which will contain the diary kept by Washington in September, 1784, during his journey in the Ohio basin in the interests of commer-

cial communication between the lakes and the Potomac. The diary will be edited by A. B. Hulbert.

Mr. W. F. Reddaway's prize essay on the *Monroe Doctrine* (1896), having become distinctly scarce, has been reprinted by Messrs. G. E. Stechert and Company of New York, after some modifications by the author.

The Paris house of Plon-Nourrit has recently published a volume on the United States by M. de Barral-Montferrat: *De Monroë à Roosevelt, 1823-1905*, with a preface by M. le Comte d'Haussonville.

Amusing and by no means uninstructive is Frank Weitenkampf's "Social History of the United States in Caricature," which commenced in the August *Critic*. The many cartoons reproduced constitute a running commentary on various phases of social life in America, and as illustrative material are distinctly valuable.

A complete edition of the *Writings of Abraham Lincoln* is announced by the Putnams. The work will be edited by Arthur Brooks Lapsley and will include, besides the writings, the full text of the Lincoln-Douglas debates, Carl Schurz's essay on Lincoln, Joseph Choate's address, and the life of Lincoln by Noah Brooks.

At the annual session of the Société d'Histoire Diplomatique, held in Paris on June 9, an address was delivered by Lewis Einstein, third secretary of the American Embassy in London, on "Napoléon III. et les Préliminaires Diplomatiques de la Guerre Civile aux États-Unis." The address is printed in the July number of the *Revue d'Histoire Diplomatique*.

The fourth volume of the *Papers of the Military Historical Society of Massachusetts* is devoted to the Wilderness campaign of May-June, 1864.

A volume of military reminiscences is Edwin H. Tremain's *Two Days of War: A Gettysburg Narrative, and Other Excursions* (New York: Bonnell, Silver and Bowers). The contents include recollections of the battle of Gettysburg, Sherman's march to the sea, the battle of Chancellorsville, Reconstruction incidents, and other material.

The Putnams have brought out a second edition of Lieutenant Elliott's *Life of John Ancrum Winslow, Rear Admiral United States Navy*.

Much light has been thrown on the inner life of the Confederacy by recent semi-biographical books dealing with the experiences of prominent women. Two such volumes have appeared within the last six months: *A Diary from Dixie*, as written by Mrs. Mary B. Chesnut, edited by Isabella D. Martin and Myrta L. Avary (Appleton) and, more recent, Mrs. Louise Wigfall Wright's *A Southern Girl in '61* (Doubleday, Page and Company).

The *American Catholic Historical Researches* for July contains articles on the reputed membership of Abraham Lincoln in the Catholic church, and on the respective claims for John Barry and John Paul

Jones, relative to the founding of the American Navy. Of more historical value are the despatches from Bishop Lynch, commissioner of the Confederate States to the Holy See, to Judah P. Benjamin. These documents are among the so-called "Pickett papers" in the archives of the Treasury Department.

Professor Walter L. Fleming has published a compilation of the so-called "Black laws" passed by the Southern states in 1865-1866 for the regulation of the freedmen. It appears as one of the *West Virginia Documents relating to Reconstruction*. The same writer has prepared a syllabus on "The Reconstruction of Seceded States, 1865-76," which is published by the New York State Education Department as Syllabus 97; July, 1905. This outline, in eleven chapters, deals with the various stages and phases of Reconstruction and contains full references for reading. Appended is a large amount of illustrative material chosen with considerable care and covering a large field.

We have received from the compiler (who apparently is also the publisher) a volume entitled *America's Aid to Germany in 1871-72, An Abstract from the Official Correspondence of E. B. Washburne, U. S. Ambassador to Paris; The English text, with a German translation*, by Adolf Hepner (St. Louis, 1905, pp. 463). Mr. Hepner's preface says that "This publication principally aims to acquaint Germans with the services rendered them by the United States in times of great distress and danger"; while it may be of some service in this direction, the book is entirely valueless to the historical student. The official correspondence of Mr. Washburne, which was published by order of Congress in 1878 under the title *Franco-German War*, embraces 232 letters, of which this compilation abstracts parts of 158; there are no notes, the compiler apparently paying no attention even to Mr. Washburne's *Recollections* or private correspondence.

A volume dealing with recent history is *Essais d'Histoire Diplomatique Américaine*, by M. Achille Viallate (Paris, Guilmoto). The Spanish war, the expansion of the United States and the Panama canal are the subjects dealt with.

#### LOCAL ITEMS, ARRANGED IN GEOGRAPHICAL ORDER.

It is now announced, simultaneously with the publication of the first part, that the Index to Persons in the first fifty volumes of the *New England Historical and Genealogical Register* will consist of eighteen parts, six of which will be issued each year.

*Compulsory Education in New England, 1850-1890*, an historical summary, by Professor John William Perrin of Cleveland, has been reprinted from the *Journal of Pedagogy* for June.

*A History of Boothbay, Southport, and Boothbay Harbor, Maine, 1623-1905*, by Francis B. Greene, is promised for the early part of next year. Nearly one-half of the 700 pages will be devoted to family genealogies.

The Vermont Sons of the American Revolution celebrated the 128th anniversary of the Battle of Bennington on August 16, by the dedication of a memorial tower to Ethan Allen. The tower was erected in Burlington on the Ethan Allen farm.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts has chartered an association bearing the name of the "Governor and Company of Massachusetts Bay," and consisting of male descendants of the freemen of the original Massachusetts Bay Company. The society is instituted for the purpose of historical and genealogical research, especially with relation to the history of the company chartered by Charles I. The executive officers are George E. Littlefield, governor; Walter K. Watkins, recorder; and Eben Putnam, secretary. On June 17 a meeting was held at Cambridge, Massachusetts, for the purpose of organizing an Historical Society. Richard Dana was elected president, and Frank Gaylord Cook secretary.

The tract, bearing the title *The Humble Request of the Governour and the Company late gone to New England to the Rest of their Brethren of the Church of England*, London, 1630, signed by Winthrop and other colonists before leaving England, has been reprinted in facsimile by Lowdermilk and Company of Washington. The edition is limited to one hundred copies; an introduction has been supplied by Professor J. L. Ewell, and a bibliographical note by Mr. Wilberforce Eames.

One of the most notable of recent contributions to early Massachusetts history is *Early Census Making in Massachusetts* by Josiah H. Benton, Jr. The *raison d'être* of this book was the finding of what Mr. Benton believes to be an original compilation from the returns of the enumeration of 1765. This document, which is designated as the Crane Manuscript, shows the total white population of the province to have been 238,226, whereas the generally accepted figure, computed from a manuscript, lost since 1822 but printed in the *Columbian Sentinel* of Boston for August 22, 1822, has been 240,220. The Crane Manuscript is printed in facsimile and other documentary material of considerable value is also included: a compilation from the census of negro slaves in 1754-5; Governor Belcher's reply to the queries of the Lords of Trade respecting the state of the province, April 5, 1751; and similar replies from Governor Bernard of April 29 and September 5, 1763. These letters found in the Public Record Office are of great value. The Crane Manuscript has been presented by Mr. Benton to the Boston Public Library.

Mr. Benjamin T. Hill is editing for the American Antiquarian Society the diary of Isaiah Thomas, the society's first president. The diary covers the years from 1805 to 1828, and is said to be of value historically.

Much information on the military events of the last years of the Revolution is to be found in the Seventh Series, Volume V., of the Massachusetts Historical Society's *Collections*. This volume constitutes Part III. of the "Heath Papers," and deals with General William

Heath's military career from January, 1780, to the summer of 1783. A few later letters are added and the appendix has extracts from Heath's Orderly Book giving the history of the court-martial for the trial of General McDougall.

The Registry Department of the City of Boston has issued the thirty-third volume in the series formerly called the *Reports of the Record Commissioners*. It contains minutes of the selectmen's meetings from 1799 to 1810, inclusive. The registrar has also issued, as an accompaniment to this series, a series of four carefully executed plans of Boston, prepared from early records, and showing, for 1630, 1635, 1640 and 1645, the ways or streets and the owners of property.

Two biographical sketches of Rev. William Bentley and a bibliography of his literary labors, which appear in *The Historical Collections of the Essex Institute* for July, prepare the way for the forthcoming publication of the diary of this teacher and preacher. The diary covers the period from 1781 to 1819. The Institute also announces the early appearance of an index to forty volumes of its *Historical Collections*.

An interesting contribution to local history is Miss Mary F. Ayer's article on "The South Meeting House, Boston (1669-1729)" in the July number of *The New England Historical and Genealogical Register*. Of particular note are the illustrations accompanying the sketch.

An interesting and unusual feature of the third number of the *Publications* of the Weymouth Historical Society is a reprint of an address delivered by Mr. Charles Francis Adams in 1874 at the 250th anniversary of the Massachusetts town of Weymouth, accompanied by a paper written thirty years later by Mr. Adams on the history of the same place; where the author reviews his own previous work and arrives at more mature conclusions. Another part of the volume is devoted to a paper read in 1882 by Gilbert Nash, secretary of the society, entitled "Weymouth in its first Twenty Years."

Attention should have been called some time ago to *Old Dartmouth Historical Sketches*, published by the Old Dartmouth (Mass.) Historical Society, nine of which have now appeared. They deal with local history and include "Gosnold and his Colony at Cuttyhunk," "Dartmouth Traditions," "King Philip's War in Dartmouth," and "Fairhaven in Four Wars."

In the series of vital records of Massachusetts towns, published by the New England Historic Genealogical Society, the volumes for Medway, Palmer, Newton, Charlton, and Oakham have appeared. The vital records of Boxford have been published by the Topsfield Historical Society.

The Old Colony Historical Society has recently published *Gov. Marcus Morton*, being the address by N. W. Littlefield delivered before the society at its annual meeting in January.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Society has published Volume II. of its *Papers and Proceedings*, covering the years 1882-1903. There are papers on the "Rev. Robert Breck Controversy," a church quarrel of 1734 over an early "higher critic," and on "The Irish Pioneers of the Connecticut Valley."

Volume X. of the *Collections of the Connecticut Historical Society*, which has recently been issued, is the second volume of "Rolls of Connecticut Men in the French and Indian War" published by the society for the state, under a special act of the Assembly. The years covered by the volume including the appendices are 1755-1764.

An attractive publication, privately printed for the New York chapter of the Colonial Order of the Acorn, is entitled *Early New York with Illustrative Sketches*, and consists of reproductions of six rare prints illustrative of New York between 1651 and 1801. Each print is accompanied by letter-press containing bibliographical and historical information.

*The Debates and Proceedings of the Convention of the State of New York, June 17, 1788*, is a reprint in facsimile of the complete report of the convention called to consider the ratification of the constitution.

Mr. Hugh Hastings, State Historian, continues the editing of the *Public Papers of George Clinton, First Governor of New York*. The strategic importance of New York during the period covered by Volume VII. of the series, June 1, 1781, to January 1, 1782, gives the letters and documents additional value. Volume VIII. leaves Revolutionary matters and includes papers dealing with affairs of peace.

The third volume of Dr. Morgan Dix's *History of the Parish of Trinity Church in the City of New York* covers the rectorate of Bishop Hobart, 1816-1830. It had been expected that the work would be completed in three volumes, but a fourth will be necessary.

Under the editorship of Frank H. Severance, the eighth volume of the *Publications of the Buffalo Historical Society* has appeared, marked by considerable variety in the character of its contents. The first 150 pages are profitably given up to the (University of Michigan) doctoral thesis of Orrin Edward Tiffany, bearing the title "The Relations of the United States to the Canadian Rebellion of 1837-1838". The purpose of the thesis, as stated by the author, is three-fold: to set forth the relation of the people in the border states to the Canadian revolutionists, describing the secret societies, their filibustering purposes and movements, and their political influence and effects; to make clear the policy of the Van Buren administration toward the violation of neutrality laws on the frontier; and finally to show the action of the border states respecting the conduct of their citizens, noting the conflict between state and federal authority, as illustrated in the McCleod case. The volume also contains a contribution to early lake history, the narrative of Captain William W. Dobbins, written from the papers and reminiscences of his father, Captain Daniel Dobbins. This narrative, portions

of which appeared in the Buffalo *Courier*, in 1876, has been amply edited by Mr. Severance. There is also a narrative of Colonel Samuel Blakeslee, written in 1822, dealing with his services in the Revolution, and in the defense of Buffalo in 1813. The concluding contribution is a series of reminiscences by the late Martha Fitch Poole on "Social Life in Earlier Buffalo".

In the *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* for July the letters from William Hamilton to his private secretary and from James H. Watmough to his wife are concluded. Most noteworthy of the new contributions are "The Log of Dr. Joseph Hinchman, Surgeon of the Privateer Brig Prince George, 1757," "Some Correspondence of Dr. James McHenry," "Rev. John Martin Mack's Narrative of a Visit to Onondaga in 1752," and two letters from John Paul Jones, both dated at L'Orient: one, of November 8, 1780, to Robert Morris, the other, of August 22, 1780, to William Carmichael.

Mr. Albert Cook Myers has in preparation a work dealing with the immigration of the English Quakers into Pennsylvania and New Jersey, which will serve as a companion work to his *Immigration of the Irish Quakers into Pennsylvania*. Mr. Myers is desirous of any documentary aid that may be offered.

A large contribution to the history of western Pennsylvania is Dr. Joseph H. Bausman's *History of Beaver County, Pennsylvania, and its Centennial Celebration*. The work is in two volumes, illustrated with portraits, maps, and facsimiles.

We have received a *History of the Newspapers of Beaver County, Pennsylvania*, by Frank S. Reader. This little volume contains a brief historical sketch of every newspaper that has been published in Beaver County, together with portraits of many persons connected with the county press.

In the July number of the *Publications of the Southern History Association*, D. M. De Witt's article on Vice-President Johnson and the documents bearing on the Texas revolution are concluded. An article on "Lafayette's Campaign in Virginia," by General M. J. Wright, is commenced and some selections from the correspondence of Senator J. R. Doolittle are printed.

The *South Atlantic Quarterly* for July contains several articles of historical interest: "The Fourteenth Amendment and Southern Representation," by James W. Garner; "Andrew Dickson White," by Charles H. Rammelkamp; "War Time in Alexandria, Virginia," by Miss S. L. Lee; "Blockade Running and Trade through the Lines into Alabama, 1861-1865," by Walter L. Fleming; and "The Executive Prerogative in the United States," by David Y. Thomas.

*A History of the General Assembly of Maryland, 1635-1904*, by Elihu S. Riley, has been published by Nunn and Company of Baltimore.

The *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography* for July contains much original material of considerable interest. Selections from the proceedings of the colonial council, edited by Charles E. Kemper, throw light on the early westward movement in Virginia between 1724 and 1730, while the relations between Virginia and the Cherokees in 1768 and 1769 are illustrated by several documents including a letter from John Stuart, Superintendent of Indian Affairs for the Southern Department, to John Blair; the treaty made at Fort Stanwix; instructions from Lord Botetourt to Colonel Lewis and Dr. Walker, respecting their mission to Stuart relative to the Cherokee boundary; and their report to Lord Botetourt, inclosing an account of their "talk" with the Cherokees. The instalment of "Virginia Legislative Papers" includes among other documents a Presbyterian protest of 1774 against a proposed toleration act, and the deposition of Dr. William Pasteur, physician to Lord Dunmore, relative to the removal of the powder from the Williamsburg magazine. From the papers of John A. Parker is printed a document entitled "How James Buchanan was made President of the U. S. and by whom," in which Buchanan's election is ascribed to the efforts in Virginia of Henry A. Wise and the writer. Finally should be noted a letter from John Paul Jones to Joseph Hewes, found among the Samuel Johnston papers at Edenton, North Carolina, dated New York, May 19, 1776, dealing with naval affairs generally and with the position of the writer in the navy.

The Library Board of the Virginia State Library has published the *Journals of the House of Burgesses of Virginia, 1773-6, including the Records of the Committee of Correspondence*, edited by Mr. John Pendleton Kennedy, Librarian. It is purposed to continue the publication of the Journal into earlier years.

The *Johns-Hopkins Studies* for July-August contain a new study in Virginia history, by O. P. Chitwood, under the title "Colonial Justice in Virginia". The writer has attempted to trace the growth of the entire system in Virginia, without entering into any elaborate review of legal proceedings. The work has been done with diligence and care, almost entirely from unpublished records of the county courts as preserved throughout Virginia.

The current number (Volume II., No. 1; June, 1905) of *The John P. Branch Historical Papers*, edited by Professor William E. Dodd of Randolph-Macon College, is devoted largely to the career of Spencer Roane. A biographical sketch, by Edwin J. Smith, is accompanied by reprints of public letters by Spencer Roane, which appeared in the Richmond *Chronicle* and the Richmond *Enquirer*. These include that signed "A Plain Dealer" of February 13, 1788, reprinted in Ford's *Essays on the Constitution*, and six letters of 1819 attacking the decision of the Supreme Court in the case of *McCulloch v. Maryland*. Some dozen or more letters are also printed from Roane's correspondence, including letters to Monroe, Madison and William Roane, and two letters, hitherto

unpublished, from Jefferson dated June 28, 1818, and June 25, 1821. Finally mention should be made of Robert Kemp Morton's concluding paper on "Robert R. Livingston—Beginnings of American Diplomacy."

The Legislature of West Virginia at its last session established a State Bureau of History and Archives and withdrew the appropriation of the State Historical Society, which latter in consequence transferred its possessions to the new Bureau and suspended its *Historical Magazine* (now in its fifth volume).

Dr. S. B. Weeks announces that he has in preparation a definitive edition of his *Bibliography of North Carolina*. It will include all books, pamphlets, and articles in periodicals dealing with North Carolina or with North Carolinians, as well as a list of periodicals of all descriptions published within the state.

Under the direction of the secretary of state of North Carolina abstracts of the wills in his office are being prepared for publication. The wills number about four thousand, are mostly of dates between 1700 and 1750, and cover large areas of land in North Carolina and Tennessee.

A document of value in the study of the Moravian settlement of North Carolina is the "Diarium einer Reise von Bethlehem, Pa., nach Bethabara, N. C.", 1753, commencing in the *German American Annals* for August.

In *Collier's Weekly* for July 1 appeared what purported to be a facsimile of part of *The Cape Fear Mercury* for Friday, June 3, 1775, containing the "Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence," found by S. Millington Miller among the papers of Andrew Stevenson. Mr. A. S. Salley, Jr., in *The State*, of Columbia, S. C., for July 30, argues elaborately that the facsimile is not genuine. It is pointed out that the third of June, 1775, fell on Saturday instead of on Friday, etc. Mr. Salley's article also throws light on the development of the "Mecklenburg Declaration" myth, and is a distinct contribution to the literature of the subject.

Mr. A. S. Salley, Jr., has resumed the editorship of the *South Carolina Historical and Genealogical Magazine*, a position which he resigned when he became secretary of the Historical Commission of South Carolina. The July number of the *Magazine* opens with a continuation of the Laurens correspondence consisting of one letter from Henry Laurens to his son, dated York Town, March 15, 1778, and three from John Laurens to his father, dated Headquarters, June 1, September 29, and October 23, 1778. The remainder of the number is made up of another instalment of the records of the Continental regiments from South Carolina, a brief sketch of John Alston, by the editor, "South Carolina Gleanings in England," and the usual "Historical Notes."

A catalogue of unusual value has lately been issued: *Books relating to the History of Georgia in the Library of Wymberley Jones De Renne*

of Wormsloe, Isle of Hope, Chatham County, Georgia. This sumptuous quarto of seventy-four pages was printed for Mr. De Renne for private distribution at the press of the *Savannah Morning News*. Many very rare and valuable books, pamphlets, maps, etc., relating to Georgia, are described; there are in all several thousand titles. The De Renne library is undoubtedly one of the finest of the special state collections in the country.

The eighth volume of the *Publications* of the Mississippi Historical Society, edited by Franklin L. Riley, has come to hand. It contains the proceedings of the seventh annual meeting, held in January, 1904, and twenty-seven articles of varying value, many of considerable worth. Indians in Mississippi receive a large share of attention; a scholarly article displaying careful research on "Choctaw Land Claims," by Professor Riley, is followed by Mr. J. W. Wade's "The Removal of the Mississippi Choctaws," "Choctaw Traditions about their Settlement in Mississippi and the Origin of their Mounds," by Dr. Gideon Lincecum, and "Chickasaw Traditions, Customs, etc.", and "Some Chickasaw Chiefs and Prominent Men," both by Mr. Harry Warren. Following the custom of former years the volume contains a number of articles, some of the reminiscent type, dealing with Reconstruction in various counties. Of aid to users of the *Official Records of the Rebellion* will be General Stephen D. Lee's "Index to Campaigns, Battles and Skirmishes in Mississippi," while the important subject of "The Hampton Roads Conference" is treated by Hon. Frank Johnston. Two unpublished letters of Burton N. Harrison, relating to the attempts to secure the release of Jefferson Davis and to his actual liberation are especially noteworthy, as is also a brief article by Mr. William Beer on "Cartography of Mississippi in the Sixteenth Century."

In his third annual report as director of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History, Mr. Dunbar Rowland has included some interesting documentary material bearing on Burr's conspiracy.

The *Quarterly* of the Texas State Historical Association for April is made up of an article by Miss Mattie Alice Austin on "The Municipal Government of San Fernando de Béxar, 1730-1800", a study, based on original research, of the organization and administration of the first and only purely civil community under Spanish rule in the province of Texas. Full and valuable bibliographical notes abound and much documentary material is appended.

Volumes XVI. and XVII. of the *Early Western Travels* complete the series of four volumes dealing with Long's expedition from Pittsburgh to the Rocky Mountains in 1819-1820. Volume XVIII., which has just appeared, is a narrative by James O. Pattie of Kentucky covering six years of travel and dealing extensively with the various tribes of Indians.

The contents of the July number of *The "Old Northwest" Genealogical Quarterly* are mainly of genealogical interest; short biograph-

ical sketches of Dr. John Dawson, Dr. Jesse P. Judkins, W. H. Jennings, and Col. Frederick C. Pierce are included, while, as documentary material, is given in facsimile a letter from Major William Bradford, eldest son of Governor Bradford, dated Pocasset, June 30, 1676.

Biographical sketches together with the report of the twentieth annual meeting of the society make up the most important part of the *Ohio Archaeological and Historical Quarterly* for July. Of the biographical articles there are four: "William Allen Trimble," by Mary McArthur Tuttle; "Caleb Atwater," by Clement L. Martzolff; "Tarhe the Wyandot Chief," by Dr. Charles E. Slocum, and "Colonel John O'Bannon," by Basil Meek.

*Transactions of the Illinois State Historical Society for the year 1904*, appears as Publication No. 9 of the Illinois State Historical Library, a volume of some 700 pages. We mention a few of the many papers: "Illinois in the War of 1812-1814," by Frank E. Stevens; "A Trip from Pennsylvania to Illinois in 1851," by W. W. Davis; "Illinois Legislation on Slavery and Free Negroes, 1818-1865," by Mason McC. Fishback; "Illinois under the French, 1673-1765," by Stephen L. Spear, and "Forgotten Statesmen of Illinois," by J. F. Snyder.

Among the historical contributions in the latest volume of the *Proceedings* of the State Historical Society of Wisconsin, should be noted "John Johnston: a Memoir," by William W. Wright; "Early Times in the Old Northwest," by Ira B. Branson; "Some Pioneering Experiences in Jefferson County," by Elbridge G. Fifield, and "Recollections of Antoine Grignon," by Eben D. Pierce.

The Minnesota Historical Society has removed its museum and library to the new and fireproof state capitol. The museum has recently been largely increased by the acquisition of the archaeological collections of the late Hon. J. R. Brower of St. Cloud and the Rev. Edward C. Mitchell of St. Paul.

The *Iowa Journal of History and Politics* for July contains three historical contributions: "The Coming of the Norwegians to Iowa," by George T. Flom; "The Bribery of Alexander W. McGregor" (a member of the legislature of Wisconsin Territory, in 1837-8), by John C. Parish, and "Illinois as a Constituency in 1850," a study of the situation in Illinois as regards national politics, by Allen Johnson.

The July number of *Annals of Iowa* contains "Recollections of the Old Capitol and the New," by Hon. Peter A. Dey; "Congressional Medals of Honor and Iowa Soldiers," by Col. Charles A. Clark; "The Simon Cameron Indian Commission of 1838," by Ida M. Street, and "Steam-boating on the Des Moines," by C. F. Davis.

The Missouri Historical Society will shortly publish additional material from the Spanish archives on the expedition of James Mackay up the Missouri river in 1794 and 1795.

Professor S. B. Harding's *Life of George R. Smith* (Sedalia, Mo., privately printed) is a contribution to the history of Missouri between 1840 and 1870. General Smith, known as the founder of Sedalia, was, although a slave-owner, an ardent Union man and was violently opposed to secession. At the beginning of the war he was adjutant-general of the provisional loyal government and had much to do with equipping the Union forces in the state. The Mormon war, slavery and the Kansas troubles, the Civil War and Reconstruction, all receive due attention and the correspondence of Mr. Smith throws considerable light on politics and affairs.

*A History of the Pacific Northwest*, by Joseph Schafer (Macmillan, pp. 321) is a compact account of the history of the territory covered by the states of Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Early voyages and explorations, the development of the fur trade, and the joint occupation by British and Americans receive the larger share of attention.

Under the auspices of the Oregon Historical Society an historical congress was held at Portland, August 21-23, in connection with the Lewis and Clark Exposition.

Dr. William A. Mowry has returned to the charge and in *Marcus Whitman and the Early Days of Oregon* (Silver, Burdett and Company) sets forth at length his already well known views respecting the relation of the missionary to the "saving" of Oregon.

A meeting at Toronto, May 17, 1905, resulted in calling into existence the Champlain Society, intended to perform for Canada functions like those of the Surtees, Hakluyt and Prince Societies. Mr. B. E. Walker, general manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, was provisionally made president; vice-presidents, Sir Louis A. Jetté, lieutenant-governor of the Province of Quebec, and Sir D. H. McMillan, lieutenant-governor of Manitoba; treasurer, Mr. James Bain of the Toronto Public Library; secretaries, Professors C. W. Colby of Montreal and G. M. Wrong of Toronto. The membership is limited to two hundred and fifty; the annual dues are ten dollars. It is expected that two volumes will be issued each year.

Noteworthy articles in periodicals: A. F. Bandelier, *Traditions of Precolumbian Landings on the Western Coast of South America* (American Anthropologist, April-June); P. H. Woodward, *The True Story of the Regicides* (Connecticut Magazine, July-September); Victor Tantet, *Les Réfugiés Politiques Français en Amérique sous la Convention* (La Revue, August 1); L. de Norvins, *Les Bonaparte d'Amérique* (La Revue, July 15); G. P. Garrison, *Connecticut Pioneers Founded Anglo-American Texas* (Connecticut Magazine, July-September); J. S. Sewall, *With Perry in Japan* (Century, July); U. B. Phillips, *The Economic Cost of Slave-Holding* (Political Science Quarterly, June); W. G. Brown, *The Tenth Decade of the United States: III. Westward by Sea and Land: IV. Lincoln's Policy of Mercy* (Atlantic, July, Septem-

ber); T. A. Ashby, *Gen. R. E. Lee as a College President* (Confederate Veteran, August); M. A. De Wolfe Howe, editor, *Letters and Diaries of George Bancroft, I. Student Days in Europe* (Scribner's, September); C. H. Ambler, *Disfranchisement in West Virginia, II.* (Yale Review, August); W. L. Fleming, *Immigration to the Southern States* (Political Science Quarterly, June); O. S. Straus, *Historical Relations of Russia and the United States* (North American Review, August).